BRO SAFETY
FORKLIFT ACCIDENT PREVENTION
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REMEMBER!
Always buckle-up; your life may depend on it!!!

This accident was no exception!!!

A **Seatbelt** is like insurance; you don't need it until you need it.

On 12 April 2001, a soldier attempted to make a 9[illegible] a forklift at a slow speed. In the process, the forkli[illegible] The soldier was found pinned under the roll cage, and resulted in a fatality. The soldier was not wearing a seatbelt when the accident occurred. Use of the seatbelt would have saved the soldier's life.

Cause Factors

- Soldier was not trained and licensed to operate the forklift.
- There were no controls or dispatch procedures in place to ensure that only trained and licensed soldiers operated the equipment.
- Unit driver training program was less than adequate.
- Soldier did not use required seatbelt; and as a result, he was fatally injured!

Accident Prevention Measures

- Develop and implement a Forklift Driver Training Program to Army Standard and enforce!
- Ensure strict compliance with OSHA Standard, 1910.178, Forklift Safety Standards.
- Ensure procedures are in place that will limit the use of forklift equipment to only trained and licensed personnel.
- Enforce the use of seatbelts when forklifts are in operation. **Use hard hat or Kevlar!**

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